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By: **Delegate Edwards**

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Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Garrett County - Board of Supervisors of Elections and Orphans' Court**  
3 **Judges - Compensation**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the County Commissioners of Garrett County to set  
5 the amount of compensation to be paid to a substitute member of the Board of  
6 Supervisors of Elections and a judge of the Orphans' Court for Garrett County  
7 according to the recommendation of the Garrett County Salary Study  
8 Commission; providing that this Act does not apply to the salary or  
9 compensation of the incumbent substitute members of the Board of Supervisors  
10 of Elections or judges of the Orphans' Court for Garrett County; and generally  
11 relating to the compensation of substitute members of the Board of Supervisors  
12 of Elections and judges of the Orphans' Court for Garrett County.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
14 Article 33 - Election Code  
15 Section 2-204(b)  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (1997 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

18 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
19 Article - Estates and Trusts  
20 Section 2-108(m)  
21 Annotated Code of Maryland  
22 (1991 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

23 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
24 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article 33 - Election Code**

2-204.

(b) (1) Consistent with paragraph (2) of this subsection, each substitute member shall be compensated for each day of service as provided in the county budget.

(2) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, a substitute member shall be compensated at a rate of at least \$25 for each meeting of the board that the substitute member attends.

(ii) 1. In Baltimore City, a substitute member shall be paid \$150 for each meeting that the substitute member attends.

2. In Calvert County, a substitute member shall be paid at least \$50 for each meeting that the substitute member attends.

3. In Garrett County, a substitute member shall be paid [\$600 annually] THE AMOUNT SET BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS UNDER CHAPTER 91 OF THE PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF GARRETT COUNTY.

4. In Kent County, a substitute member shall be paid at least \$50 for each meeting that the substitute member attends.

5. In Wicomico County, a substitute member shall be paid \$1,200 annually.

**Article - Estates and Trusts**

2-108.

(m) (1) Each of the judges of the Court for Garrett County shall receive an annual salary set by the County Commissioners in accordance with Chapter 91 of the Public Local Laws of Garrett County.

(2) Each judge shall be reimbursed for traveling to and from the sessions of the Court at the rate Garrett County pays for mileage. Each judge shall also receive [\$25] AN AMOUNT for expenses for every day's attendance [upon] ON the sessions of the Court SET BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 91 OF THE PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF GARRETT COUNTY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III, Section 35 of the Constitution of Maryland, an ordinance passed by the County Commissioners of Garrett County affecting the salary or compensation of substitute members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections or judges of the Orphans' Court for Garrett County may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary or compensation of substitute members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections or judges of the Orphans' Court for Garrett County in office on the effective date of this Act, unless the term of the public office is fixed by law to exceed 4 years; but the provisions of the

1 ordinance authorized by this Act concerning the salary or compensation of substitute  
2 members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections or the judges of the Orphans' Court  
3 for Garrett County shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of  
4 office.

5       SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
6 October 1, 2001.